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refugees were gathered at the edge of the village, shouting such things as "Down with the Anglo-Americans!" and "Let us return to our own country!" Source mingled with the demonstrators, and was told by them that they had been settled in Anjar about a year ago by the Refugee Commission in Beirut. They said that they are frequently short of food, adding that the Anglo-Americans were to blame for their having been driven out of their own country.* The demonstrators were quieted when the Chief of the Gendarmerie in Shtora arrived and promised them that he would submit their case to the competent authorities.**

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2. Communist agitators are inciting the Palestinian refugees to go on strike*** against the new United Nations relief work program by disseminating the following propaganda among them:

- a. Refugees are getting only half the food they should be receiving.
- b. Each Easter parcel which the refugees received this year had originally contained a one-dollar bill, ties and socks. These things the Red Cross officials had taken out for their own use, or to sell.

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* [REDACTED] the attitude of these refugees toward the British and Americans is the result of propaganda spread by a small group of Communists in Anjar.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. This demonstration is only one of many of the same type that have been occurring recently, since the United Nations relief work program began.

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~~Comment.~~ [REDACTED] the Arab Higher Committee has issued an appeal, through Amal Ghuri asking the Palestinian refugees to stop demonstrating against the United Nations relief works program. This appeal appeared in the Beirut newspapers and was printed at the request of the Lebanese Government.

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